



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Benito et al.) PATENT
Serial No.: 10/009,980) Attorney Docket
Filed: November 8, 2001) HER-102.0
For: MOLECULAR METHODS FOR) (8057/84086)
DETECTING GUAR GUM ADDITIONS)
TO LOCUST BEAN GUM) Group Art No.
Examiner: Teresa A. Strelecka) 1637

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

A one-month extension of time in response to the
Restriction Requirement mailed October 26, 2004, is respectfully
requested.

There is submitted herewith the following:

1. Election;
2. Check No. 090814 in the amount of \$110.00 for the
one-month extension of time (a response to the Restriction
Requirement was due November 26, 2004); and

No further fee or petition is believed to be necessary
in addition to those that are enclosed. Should any fee be

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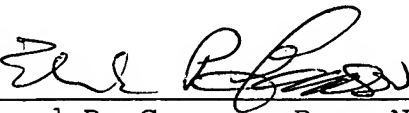
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needed, please charge our Deposit Account No. 23-0920, and deem this paper to be the required petition.


Respectfully submitted,

By 
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Petition for One-Month Extension of Time and its fee, along with an Election, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on December 1, 2004.


Edward P. Gamson